

California Libertarian News

The Newsletter of the Libertarian Party of California

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The LPC Convention: New Directions, New Candidates, New Officers

LOS ANGELES: With the whole state awash and threatening to slide into the Pacific, the LPC Convention (Feb. 14-17) opened as scheduled at the Viscount Hotel. Although the heavy rains kept many at home, there were those brave souls who ventured onto the freeways (and into airplanes, no less!) in order to attend a full weekend of workshops, talks, platform debate, elections, endorsements, and to enjoy a chance to meet old friends and new.

Everything seemed to go smoothly, and our thanks should go to those who worked long hours to put it all together and make it happen: Nancy and Geoff Neale, Melinda Pillsbury-Foster (Program), Barbara Briggs (Exhibits), Janet Brown, Janice and Chris Vargo, and everyone who helped them.

They're Off and Running!

This year's going to be a busy time for libertarians going after public office. Word isn't in yet as to what candidates made the filing dates for their papers—we'll know by next issue.

Meanwhile, the following candidates for state-wide office were endorsed by the Convention: Call them if you want to work on their campaigns or send contributions.

State-Wide Candidates

Office	Candidate	Phone
U.S. Senate	Breck McKinley	818/907-7116
Governor	Joe Fuhrig	916/873-4302
Lieutenant Governor	Norma Jean Almodovar	213/382-6445
Secretary of State	Richard Winger	415/922-9779
Attorney General	Carol Newman	818/884-8528
Controller	Carolyn Treynor	213/546-2846
Treasurer	Ray Cullen	714/645-4033

As a finale at the Grand Banquet, Dick Boddie raised over \$2,000 for a special fund that's being developed to help our state-wide candidates in their races. Things seem to be off to a good start.

New Officers Elected

Congratulations to the new officers: Mark Hinkle, *Chair*; Laurel Fest, *Southern Vice-Chair*; Dennis Schlumpf, *North-ern Vice-Chair*; Bob Lehman, *Secretary*; Jerry Douglas, *Treasurer*.

And many thanks to those out-going officers: Chair Jack Dean and Southern Vice-Chair Sam Treynor, for a job well done.

Platform & By-Laws Changes

Platform discussion was relatively brief, with only a few new planks added to the platform. One puts the Libertarian Party on record as being in opposition to the principle of *police power*. Police power doesn't mean simply the prosecution of violent crimes. It's the special power that is claimed by the state as a "right" to prosecute victimless crimes, go after midwives, incarcerate innocent people in mental institutions, close down unlicensed day-care centers—that sort of thing. It's what's done to "protect" people and society in the name of the so-called common good.

Another plank was adopted declaring our opposition to any proposed legislation that would make English the official language of California. In this spirit a resolution was passed condemning civic bodies that adopt ordinances requiring English-only or bi-lingual signs on businesses.

A third new plank endorses our support of the right of individuals or groups to conduct a lottery.

It was also written into the By-laws that it is the primary duty of the State Ex-Com to promote Libertarian Party candidates.

DAGNY'S FREEDOM FESTIVAL '86

Celebrates FREEDOM: The Final Frontier

**Patriots & Libertarians
Join Forces!**

PROGRAMME

Friday, April 18, 1986

ED VALLEN, National Director, and IRIS SHIDLER, co-Director, Committee of Patriots, "Abolishing the 16th Amendment and the Federal Reserve"

"AMERICAN/Revolution," Scenes from an original play, by LAURA CROCKETT-GORDON

Saturday, April 19, 1986

"Refuting One World Government: Individualism, The Antidote to Malignant Globalism," presented by The George Orwell Society, The Libertarian Revisionist History Club.

RONALD C. TOBIN, The Philosophers Guild, "Self Government and the Free Market"

CHUCK HAMILL, The Libertech Project, "From Crossbows to Cryptography: Thwarting Governmental Tyranny via Technology"

PETER BREGGIN, M.D., "Integration of Psychology, Economics, and Politics: A Unified Theory of Human Action based on Individualism."

Freeland IV Mini Convention "Voyage to Mars"
Join commercial passenger rocket manufacturer GARY HUDSON and noted science fiction authors ROBERT ANTON WILSON and VICTOR KOMAN for an unforgettable race to Mars. Who will win? A U.S./Soviet mission spending 25 years and \$500 billion, or a lean, mean, free market machine? Don't miss this program!

Speech Contest "Freedom Is Good For Business" Sponsored by The Orange County Register and Dagny Enterprises. 10 contestants, 7 minute limit. PRIZES: \$500, \$100, \$50, gold & silver.

Saturday Evening

First Annual Instead-of-a-Banquet Indoor "Picnic," Economists of Liberty Awards, and *Raid*, an original libertarian science fiction play by JARRET B. WOLLSTEIN of the Society for Individual Liberty.

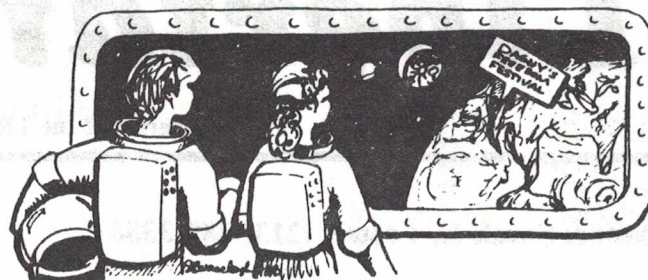
Sunday April 20, 1986

FreeNetwork Mini Convention "What Has Government Done to Our Money?"

NANCY OH, Family Centered Learning Alternatives Part I: "Home Schooling: The School of the Future Now." Part II: "Separation of School & State"

VINCE MILLER, Libertarian International, "Liberty On Earth: The Latest Strategies and Successes in Libertarian Networking"

DAGNY SHARON, "How Patriotic Is Libertarianism?" A discussion of the morality underlying libertarian philosophy.



HOTEL INFORMATION

Ramada Inn

12500 E. Firestone Blvd.
Norwalk, CA 90650

Great New Location!

All Convention Space Reserved for Festival.

\$49/Night 1-4 persons

Brunch with ROBERT ANTON WILSON, co-author of *Illuminatus!*, delivering the keynote speech, "Freedom: The Final Frontier"

Summit Conference on Economic Issues, Panel of libertarian and patriot scholars. Moderated by ROBERT LEFEVRE.

Photo Contest: "What Liberty Means to Me!" \$100 Cash Prizes. Submit an 8x10" color or black and white print mounted. Deadline April 14, 1986.

NOTE: A Sell-out is Anticipated.
Advance Registration is Recommended

Until 4/4: After 4/4:

#1	Friday Package	\$12	\$18
#2	Saturday Package, incl. "Picnic"	\$49	\$69*
#3	Saturday, Daytime Only	\$43	\$59
#4	"Picnic" & Evening Program Only	\$23	\$31*
#5	Sunday Package (incl. Brunch)	\$49	\$69*
#6	Weekend Package (Fri/Sat/Sun/Picnic/Brunch)	\$105	\$149

Tickets to individual events on Saturday and Sunday — if available — may be purchased with a \$20 registration fee added.

*Tickets for Picnic & Brunch must be purchased by April 14th.

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Tickets will be held for you at Registration desk. New speeded-up registration procedure!

☐ I enclose \$49 for one night's hotel deposit. Please reserve me for the following nights:_____

☐ Please reserve a space in the Speech Contest. \$5 entry fee enclosed.

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ State_____ ZIP_____

Karl Bray Award

One of the highlights of the Convention is the presentation of the Karl Bray Award, the LPC's highest award for self-initiated, meritorious activism on behalf of the Libertarian Party. This year, the coveted award went to long-time activist Bob Lehman. In presenting it, Bruce Lagasse (originator of the Award) described Bob as "the glue that has held the Party together over the past year," and cited in particular his outstanding efforts in the Membership Drive and his work as state-coordinator.

Bob's efforts go far back. He has served in many offices and capacities: chair of Region 14, LPC Secretary, editor of *LiberCal*, and *Calif. Libertarian News*, indefatigable worker in the registration drive, etc., etc. Whenever a job needed to be done, Bob has always been there to give wholehearted support and to be sure it is carried out.

The award, named in honor of the late tax protester Karl Bray, consists of an engraved plaque and a \$20 gold piece. Bob says the plaque will always have an honored place in his home; and the gold-piece? Well, we bet he'll do what Jack Dean (winner of the first Award) will do. Jack told those at the Banquet he still has his mounted on a chain so he can keep it around his neck. In any case, Bob is not about to spend it.

Changes at CLNews: Sarah E. Foster, New Editor

Bob Lehman has decided to give up the editorship of *California Libertarian News* in order to devote full time to his duties as Secretary, and asked me to take over its editorship. Frankly, I'm honored and flattered—just hope I can do as good a job as he's done. It'll be a tough act to follow.

I hope to expand *CLN* into an eight page publication, especially with so much happening between now and November. However, in order to do this two things are necessary: advertising to cover the costs, plus lots of news.

Please send me information not only about your regional meeting, (when, where, what about), but news of what the candidates and activists in your area are doing: on what battlefield do they fight, what banners do they carry? Also wanted: letters by libertarians published in local papers; reports and alerts on whatever legislation is being proposed and considered in your city, county, Sacramento, Washington (always give bill number, sponsors, who to contact and other relevant material); anecdotes; articles; and so on.

And do watch that deadline (it's under the Events column) for getting information to *CLN* on time. Use either the LPC address or send directly to me at: 777 Terrace 49, Los Angeles, 90042.

LPC Membership Drive: Button, Button, Who Wore the Button?

It was close right down to the wire in the race to win the banner in the great LPC Membership Drive. In January, Santa Clara and Sacramento Counties were leading, but during the last weeks before the Convention Southern California counties renewed their efforts so *two* winners emerged victorious: Sacramento (best percentage, 91%) and San Diego (most new members, 41).

Northern Vice-Chair Dennis Schlumpf and Southern Vice-Chair Sam Treynor had challenged each other to a button-duel. If LPC membership increased by a greater percentage in the north than in the south, Sam would wear a button at the Convention announcing that "Northern California Is Best", and vice versa. It was close, but Southern California pulled ahead with a 30% increase over Northern California's 38%.

Dennis lived up to the agreement and wore a button saying, "Southern Calif. is best." (Hey, we know that already! This is just more evidence).

Besides the banners, two plaques were presented by Bob Lehman at the Sam Adams Luncheon to San Diego and Sacramento Counties. They are to be kept by those counties for a year, but next year could go to other winners if these counties rest on their laurels.



Libertarian Party
of California

1986 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

I hereby certify that I do not believe in or advocate the initiation of force as a means of achieving political or social goals.

Signature _____ Date _____

☐ California Membership (\$15) or ☐ Combined California & National Membership (\$30) ☐ Additional Donation \$ _____

Send completed form with payment to: Treasurer, Libertarian Party of California,
3610 West 6th Street/Suite 531, Los Angeles, CA 90020. Thank you!

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

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Card # _____ Expiration Date _____

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Home Phone _____ / _____ Work Phone _____

Signature _____

LOCAL EVENTS & CONTACTS

MEMBERSHIP
Base / Added
as of thru
10/01 01/31

		COUNTY	DATE	EVENT	CHAIR or (*) CONTACT	PHONE #
62	28	45% Alameda	THU. Mar. 13	Fred Foldvary, "Natural Rights"	Fred Foldvary	415/548-3776
10	3	30% Butte			Mark Sweany	916/345-9970
31	13	42% Contra Costa			Hugh McLean	415/234-7809
14	1	7% Fresno			Tim Salzer	209/233-4393
10	3	30% Kern			Craig Gifford	805/832-6231
2		Lake			Randall Grindle	707/994-4817
		Los Angeles (Regions 61 - 67)				
78	28	36% -61, San Fernando Valley	WED. Mar. 12	Rick Johns, "The Great Delusion"	* Roland Shirley	818/882-9209
51	32	63% -62, West LA	THU. Mar. 20	Zack Richardson, "Introduction to Libertarianism"	Neal Donner	213/477-6462
51	10	20% -63, Foothills	TUE. Mar. 18	John Dentinger, "Is Censorship a Civil Right?"	Kim Goldsworthy	818/280-5644
42	19	45% -64, Central LA	THU. Mar. 13	Jeff Riggensbach, "Animal Rights"; Regional Elections	Laurel Fest	213/254-1776
21	3	14% -65, Downey	WED. Mar. 12	Meeting	Marty Swinney	213/699-3128
41	17	41% -66, South Bay			Dave Nichols	213/644-3712
16	5	31% -67, East San Gabriel Valley	WED. Mar. 26	Kim Goldsworthy, "A Libertarian Analysis of The U. S. Constitution"	Gail Lightfoot	714/599-1627
9	6	67% Monterey			Bob Ratto	408/424-9346
4	3	75% Nevada			Jim Hosbein	916/273-9174
60	35	58% Orange	TUE. Mar. 11	Election of Officers	Sharon Ayres	714/966-1211
15	3	20% Placer			Bruce Daniel	916/663-2568
13	5	38% Riverside	THU. Mar. 20	Tape of Vincent Miller "The World Libertarian Mvmt"	Ron Holman	714/684-5218
			WED. Mar. 26	Kim Goldsworthy, "A Libertarian Analysis of the U. S. Constitution"	Roger Pope	916/921-1776
11	10	91% Sacramento	THU. Mar. 20	Tape of Vincent Miller "The World Libertarian Mvmt"	Brian Bishko	714/684-5218
15	4	31% San Bernardino	WED. Mar. 26	Kim Goldsworthy, "A Libertarian Analysis of the U. S. Constitution"	Pat Wright	619/238-0913
118	41	35% San Diego	WED. Mar. 26	Business Meeting	* Dick Rider	619/276-7166
		(North County)	TUE. Mar. 11	Jim Burns, "Winning Strategies for Libertarians"	* Phyllis Avery	619/439-5899
			WED. Mar. 19	Fred Schnaubelt, "Plunder in America"	* Cary Smith	619/743-3118
33	19	57% San Francisco			Ann Justi	415/864-0952
6	1	17% San Luis Obispo			Steve Jacobsen	805/541-0900
31	14	45% San Mateo			Lyn Sapowsky	415/368-8148
24	4	17% Santa Barbara			Jan Bellamy-Genee	805/965-7821
199	34	17% Santa Clara	THU. Mar. 20	Dante DeAmicis, "Setting Up a Libertarian Community"	Dale Burrow	408/CRY-FREE
27	13	48% Santa Cruz			Bill Anderson	408/476-9753
3	2	67% Solano			Mark Moberg	707/864-1673
11	2	9% Sonoma			Jim Oglesby	707/823-5261
8	2	25% Tulare	SATS. Mar. 8&22	Discussion: Henry Hazlitt's "Economics in One Lesson"	Vicky Daley	209/688-4159
9	13	144% Ventura	THU. Mar. 6	Tax Protest Planning, Carrows Rest. in Ventura	George Hasara	805/525-6321
29	64	221% (other counties)				

1054 411 39% TOTAL MEMBERSHIP = 1465 as of 01/31/85 Northern California up 38% Southern California up 40%

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